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## SMME SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME GARDEN ROUTE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY CALL FOR BUSINESS PROPOSALS

Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) is embarking on a Small-, Medium- and Micro Enterprise (SMME) Programme to help dynamic and committed entrepreneurs to grow their businesses. A broad scope of non-financial assistance will be provided, including compulsory business development interventions and training.

Only serious applicants with a workable business concept or business profile should apply.

**IMPORTANT:** Applicants MUST complete an application form (obtainable from either the District Economic Development Office, 54 York Street, George, 6530 or email [smme@gardenroute.gov.za](mailto:smme@gardenroute.gov.za) with the following important supporting documents attached:

- Company Profile/ Business Proposal or Business Plan - maximum 10 (ten) pages; if more, please deliver it physically.
- Six (6) months Profit and Loss Summary or (recent Financial statements, if available);
- Business registration document.

**Criteria:**

- Must be a registered business operating for a minimum of 1 (one) year;
- Must have a viable business idea/proposal with clear directions/deliverables;
- Must be available to present to a selected panel and attend the compulsory business development interventions and training identified by the panel;
- SARS registered AND Tax Clearance certificate;
- 100% South African owned;
- Formally registered for a minimum of 1 (one) year or incorporated, e.g. with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC); and must be in operation for the mentioned period;
- Operating and residing within the Garden Route;
- It is classified as a micro or small enterprise in terms of the National Small Enterprises Act.

All applications must be in an envelope, stated “**2022/2023 SMME Support and Development Programme – Garden Route District Municipality**” and be dropped off at 54 York Street, George, 6530 or at any Garden Route DM Offices for attention Mr. Johannes Jafta or emailed to [smme@gardenroute.gov.za](mailto:smme@gardenroute.gov.za). Enterprises that benefitted from the previous year’s programmes (July 2019 to June 2021) will not be considered. **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.** Please provide us with a detailed outline of your business proposal, together with all required proof. If you do not adhere to the set criteria, your application will be unsuccessful. Only shortlisted enterprises/businesses will be contacted to present their business concept to the adjudication panel virtually or in person. Only the top business concepts concerning the set criteria will be selected.

**NB! If you did not get any feedback from us within 30 days after the closing date, please consider your application to be unsuccessful.**

**Closing date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 by 13h00.**

All enquiries related to the programme can be directed to the Garden Route District Municipality Economic Development Office at [smme@gardenroute.gov.za](mailto:smme@gardenroute.gov.za)

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